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THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08a. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The concise explanations of relevance for the non-English documents are provided by their accompanying English-language abstracts.

For the Examiner's information, U.S. Patent No. 6,775,729 corresponds to Japanese Apnl. No. 2000-222338.

Applicant certifies under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1) that each non-corresponding item of information contained in the subject information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. Specifically, these documents were first cited

in a Japanese Office Action dated November 10, 2009, in a corresponding Japanese patent application. A copy of the Office Action (with English translation) that issued on that related application is enclosed.

The fee of \$180.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d) and §1.17(p) is being paid electronically.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08a be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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